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### ***INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT***

To the Members of the Board of Commissioners  
New London-Springfield Water System Precinct  
New London, New Hampshire

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

##### ***Adverse and Unmodified Opinions***

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities and major proprietary fund of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

##### **Summary of Opinions**

<i>Opinion Unit</i>	<i>Type of Opinion</i>
Business-type Activities	Adverse
Water Proprietary Fund	Adverse

##### ***Adverse Opinion on Business-type Activities and Proprietary Fund***

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the *Matter Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on Business-type Activities and Proprietary Fund* section of the report, the accompanying financial statements do not present fairly the financial position of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct, as of December 31, 2024, or the changes in financial position and where applicable, cash flows thereof, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

##### ***Basis for Adverse Opinion***

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse audit opinions.

##### ***Matter Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on Business-type Activities and Proprietary Fund***

As discussed in Note 1-B to the financial statements, management has not recorded the long-term costs of retirement health care costs and obligations for other postemployment benefits related to the single employer plan in the business-type activities, and proprietary fund. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that those costs be recorded, which would increase the assets, liabilities, decrease the net position, and increase the expenses of the business-type activities and proprietary fund. The amount by which this departure would affect the assets, liabilities, net position, and expenses on the business-type activities and proprietary fund has not been determined.

##### ***Emphasis of Matters – Changes in Accounting Principles***

As discussed in Note 2-A to the financial statements, in the year ending December 31, 2024, the Precinct adopted new accounting guidance, GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – an Amendment to GASB Statement No. 62*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Also, as discussed in Note 2-A to the financial statements, in the year ending December 31, 2024, the Precinct adopted new accounting guidance, GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

The New London-Springfield Water System Precinct's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

### ***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the following be presented to supplement the basic financial statements:

- Schedule of the Precinct's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability,
- Schedule of Precinct Contributions – Pensions,
- Schedule of the Precinct's Proportionate Share of Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability,
- Schedule of Precinct Contributions – Other Postemployment Benefits,
- Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for

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consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance. Management has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinions on the basic financial statements are not affected by this missing information.

, 2025  
Concord, New Hampshire

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## EXHIBIT A

### NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

#### *Business-type Activities and Proprietary Fund*

#### *Statement of Net Position*

*December 31, 2024*

#### **ASSETS**

##### Current:

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,019,922
Accounts receivable	92,638
Intergovernmental receivable	263,502
Inventory	100,105
Total current	<u>3,476,167</u>

##### Noncurrent:

Capital assets, not being depreciated/amortized	3,009,662
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization	2,723,654
Total noncurrent	<u>5,733,316</u>
Total assets	<u>9,209,483</u>

#### **DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

#### **LIABILITIES**

##### Current liabilities:

Accounts payable	30,493
Accrued salaries and benefits payable	3,383
Intergovernmental payable	4,219
Retainage payable	198,652
Accrued interest payable	116,631

##### Long term liabilities:

Due within one year	267,759
Due in more than one year	4,922,235
Total liabilities	<u>5,543,372</u>

#### **DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

#### **NET POSITION**

Net investment in capital assets	2,624,970
Restricted	38,833
Unrestricted	1,020,442
Total net position	<u>\$ 3,684,245</u>

The Notes to the Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

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## EXHIBIT B

**NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT**  
**Business-type Activities and Proprietary Fund**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2024**

Operating revenues:	
Taxes	\$ 737,375
Charges for services	350,514
Total operating revenues	<u>1,087,889</u>
Operating expenses:	
Salaries and wages	245,105
Operation and maintenance	458,103
Depreciation and amortization	178,545
Total operating expenses	<u>881,753</u>
Operating gain	<u>206,136</u>
Nonoperating revenue (expense):	
Interest income	40,015
Intergovernmental revenues	8,755
Interest expense	(120,025)
Total nonoperating revenues (expense)	<u>(71,255)</u>
Change in net position	134,881
Net position, beginning	3,549,364
Net position, ending	<u>\$ 3,684,245</u>

The Notes to the Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

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**EXHIBIT C**  
**NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT**  
**Business-type Activities and Proprietary Fund**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2024**

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**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:**

Receipts from customers and users	\$ 325,399
Receipts from other governments	485,222
Payments to employees for salaries and benefits	(238,891)
Payments to suppliers	(229,319)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>342,411</u>

**CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:**

Proceeds from issuance of bond	4,372,300
Proceeds from issuance of bond premium	427,700
Principal paid on outstanding lease obligation	(26,940)
Acquisition and construction of fixed assets	(2,927,406)
Interest paid	(5,868)
Net cash provided by capital and related financing activities	<u>1,839,786</u>

**CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:**

ARPA funds	<u>8,755</u>
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**CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:**

Interest on investments	<u>40,015</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	2,230,967
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	788,955
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	<u>\$ 3,019,922</u>

*Reconciliation of Operating Gain to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities*

Operating gain	<u>\$ 206,136</u>
Adjustments to reconcile operating gain (loss) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:	
Depreciation/amortization expense	178,545
Change in other receivables	(25,115)
Change in intergovernmental receivable	(252,153)
Change in inventory	9,372
Change in deferred outflows of resources related to pension and OPEB	14,014
Change in accounts payable	16,541
Change in intergovernmental payable	4,219
Change in accrued salaries & benefits	3,383
Change in retainage payable	198,652
Change in compensated absences payable	2,240
Change in net pension liability	(18,129)
Change in net OPEB liability	(115)
Change in deferred inflows of resources related to pension and OPEB	4,821
Total adjustments	<u>136,275</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 342,411</u>

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#### **NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to government units, hereafter referred to as generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and other authoritative sources. The Precinct's significant accounting policies are described below.

##### **1-A Reporting Entity**

The New London-Springfield Water System Precinct is a municipal corporation governed by an elected three-member Board of Commissioners. In evaluating how to define the Precinct for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity is made by applying the criteria set forth by GASB Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 14*. The Precinct has no component units to include in its reporting entity.

##### **1-B Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

**Proprietary Fund Financial Statements** – Include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows for the major proprietary fund.

Proprietary funds are reported using the “economic resources” measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities (whether current or noncurrent), and deferred inflows of resources are included on the Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position presents increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period in which they are earned while expenses are recognized in the period in which the liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Operating revenues in the proprietary funds are those revenues that are generated from the primary operations of the fund. All other revenues are reported as non-operating revenues. Operating expenses are those expenses that are essential to the primary operations of the fund. All other expenses are reported as non-operating expenses.

The Precinct is a standalone special purpose government, and because of this, the proprietary fund financial statements represent the business-type activities of the Precinct.

##### **1-C Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Precinct considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Deposits with financial institutions consist primarily of demand deposits, certificates of deposits, and savings accounts.

New Hampshire statutes require that the Precinct treasurer have custody of all money belonging to the Precinct and pay out the same only upon orders of the Board of Commissioners. The treasurer shall deposit all such monies in participation units in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to NH RSA 383:22 or in solvent banks in the State. Funds may be deposited in banks outside the State if such banks pledge and deliver to a third-party custodial bank or the Federal Reserve Bank, collateral security for such deposits, United States government or government agency obligations or obligations of the State of New Hampshire in value at least equal to the amount of the deposit in each case.

##### **1-D Statement of Cash Flows**

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Precinct considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity when purchased of three months or less and all local government investment pools to be cash equivalents.

##### **1-E Receivables**

Receivables in the financial statements represent amounts due to the Precinct at December 31. They are aggregated into a single accounts receivable (net allowance for uncollectibles) line for certain funds and aggregated columns. They consist primarily of taxes, billing for charges, and other user fees.

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##### **1-F Inventory**

Inventories are valued at cost using first-in, first-out, which approximates market. The Precinct's inventories include various items consisting of expendable materials and supplies held for consumption. Inventorial items are recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased.

##### **1-G Capital Assets**

Capital assets are defined by the Precinct as assets with an initial individual cost of \$4,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Capital assets of the Precinct are depreciated or amortized using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
<b>Capital Asset Classes:</b>	
Buildings and building improvements	12-50
Machinery, equipment, and vehicles	5-12
Right to use leased equipment and vehicles	10
Infrastructure	50

##### **1-H Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

*Deferred outflows of resources*, a separate financial statement element, represents a consumption of net position or fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and thus will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenses) until that time. The Precinct has two items that qualify for reporting in this category. Deferred outflows related to pensions and deferred outflows related to OPEB are reported in the government-wide Statement of Net Position for various estimate differences that will be amortized and recognized over future years.

*Deferred inflows of resources*, a separate financial statement element, represents an acquisition of net position or fund balance that applies to a future period(s) which will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. The Precinct has two types of items which qualify for reporting in this category. Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB are reported in the government-wide Statement of Net Position for various estimate differences that will be amortized and recognized over future years.

##### **1-I Long-term Obligations**

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the proprietary fund Statement of Net Position. Bond premiums are deferred and amortized over the life of the bond using the straight-line method.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 88, *Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, Including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements*, the Precinct utilizes the following classification to categorize the financial transaction:

**Direct Placements** – financial transactions for the sale of bonds where the Precinct engages with a single buyer or limited number of buyers without a public offering.

##### **1-J Compensated Absences**

General leave for the Precinct includes vacation pay. General leave is based on an employee's length of employment and is earned ratably during the span of employment. Upon retirement or termination, employees are paid full value for any accrued general leave earned as set forth by the Precinct's personnel policy.

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Vested or accumulated general leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure and a fund liability. Amounts of vested or accumulated general leave that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable financial resources.

**I-K Lease**

**Lessee** – The Precinct is a lessee for a noncancellable lease of Colby Point Wells. The Precinct recognizes a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset (lease asset) in the financial statements.

At the commencement of a lease, the Precinct initially measures the lease liability at the present value of payments expected to be made during the lease term. Subsequently, the lease liability is reduced by the principal portion of lease payments made. The lease asset is initially measured as the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus certain initial direct costs. Subsequently, the lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over its useful life.

Key estimates and judgments related to leases include how the Precinct determines (1) the discount rate it uses to discount the expected lease payments to present value, (2) lease term, and (3) lease payments.

- The Precinct uses the interest rate charged by the lessor as the discount rate. When the interest rate charged by the lessor is not provided, the Precinct generally uses its estimated incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate for leases.
- The lease term includes the noncancellable period of the lease. Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are composed of fixed payments and purchase option price that the Precinct is reasonably certain to exercise.

The Precinct monitors changes in circumstances that would require a remeasurement of its lease and will remeasure the lease asset and liability if certain changes occur that are expected to significantly affect the amount of the lease liability. Lease assets are reported with other capital assets and lease liabilities are reported with long-term debt on the Statement of Net Position.

**I-L Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, and as amended by GASB Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date* requires participating employers to recognize their proportionate share of collective net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension expense, and schedules have been prepared to provide employers with their calculated proportionate share of these amounts. The collective amounts have been allocated based on employer contributions during the respective fiscal years. Contributions from employers are recognized when legally due, based on statutory requirements.

The schedules prepared by New Hampshire Retirement System, and audited by the plan's independent auditors, require management to make a number of estimates and assumptions related to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature and uncertainty of these estimates, actual results could differ, and the differences may be material.

**I-M Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)**

The Precinct maintains two separate other postemployment benefit plans, as follows:

**New Hampshire Retirement System Plan** – For the purposes of measuring the total other postemployment benefit (OPEB) liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the New Hampshire Retirement System OPEB Plan (the plan) and additions to/deductions from the plan's fiduciary net position has been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the New Hampshire Retirement System. For this purpose, the plan recognizes benefit payments when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value, except money market investments and participating interest earning investment contracts that have a maturity at the time of purchase of one year or less, which are reported at cost.

**Single Employer Plan** – The Precinct maintains a single employer plan but has not obtained an actuarial report calculating the other postemployment benefit liability, deferred outflows of resources, and deferred inflows of resources in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting For Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*.

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#### **1-N Net Position**

Equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

**Net Investment in Capital Assets** – Consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization, and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. If there are significant unspent related debt proceeds at year-end, the portion of the debt attributable to the unspent proceeds are not included in the calculation of net investment in capital assets.

**Restricted Net Position** – Results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed by a third party (statutory, bond covenant, or granting agency) or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The Precinct typically uses restricted assets first, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively defer the use until a future period.

**Unrestricted Net Position** – Consists of net position not meeting the definition of the preceding categories. Unrestricted net position is often subject to constraints imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

#### **1-O Use of Estimates**

The preparation of the accompanying basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### **NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

#### **2-A Changes in Accounting Principles**

During the fiscal year, the Precinct adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*. This statement will improve the clarity and consistency of the accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections.

Also, the Precinct adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*. The objective of this Statement is to better meet the information needs of financial statement users by updating the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. This Statement establishes standards of accounting and financial reporting for compensated absences and associated salary-related payments.

### **DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS**

### **NOTE 3 – CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

At December 31, 2024, the reported amount of the Precinct's deposits was \$3,019,922 and the bank balance was \$3,023,552. Of the bank balance \$2,896,364 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$127,188 was uninsured and uncollateralized.

### **NOTE 4 – RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at December 31, 2024, consisted of water billings of \$92,638 and taxes due from the Town of New London of \$263,502. Receivables are recorded on the Precinct's financial statements to the extent that the amounts are determined to be material and substantiated not only by supporting documentation, but also by a reasonable, systematic method of determining their existence, completeness, valuation, and collectability.

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#### **NOTE 5 – CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2024 consisted of the following:

	Balance, beginning	Additions	Deletions	Balance, ending
At cost:				
Not being depreciated/amortized:				
Construction in progress	\$ 82,256	\$ 2,927,406	\$ -	\$ 3,009,662
Being depreciated/amortized:				
Buildings and building improvements	1,880,595	-	-	1,880,595
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	309,557	-	-	309,557
Right to use leased equipment and vehicles	274,225	-	-	274,225
Infrastructure	4,721,281	-	-	4,721,281
Total capital assets being depreciated/amortized	<u>7,185,658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,185,658</u>
Total all capital assets	<u>7,267,914</u>	<u>2,927,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,195,320</u>
Less accumulated depreciation/amortization:				
Buildings and building improvements	(1,320,881)	(37,474)	-	(1,358,355)
Machinery, equipment and vehicles	(184,711)	(19,229)	-	(203,940)
Right to use leased equipment and vehicles	(109,689)	(27,424)	-	(137,113)
Infrastructure	(2,668,178)	(94,418)	-	(2,762,596)
Total accumulated depreciation/amortization	<u>(4,283,459)</u>	<u>(178,545)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,462,004)</u>
Net book value, capital assets being depreciated/amortized	<u>2,902,199</u>	<u>(178,545)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,723,654</u>
Net book value, all business-type activities capital assets	<u><u>\$ 2,984,455</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,748,861</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,733,316</u></u>

Depreciation/amortization expense of \$178,545 was charged to functions of the Precinct based on their usage of related assets.

#### **NOTE 6 – DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

Deferred outflows of resources at December 31, 2024 consist of the following:

	Business-type Activities
Amounts related to pensions, see Note 10	\$ 24,604
Amounts related to OPEB, see Note 11	265
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u><u>\$ 24,869</u></u>

Deferred inflows of resources at December 31, 2024 consist of the following:

	Business-type Activities
Amounts related to pensions, see Note 10	\$ 6,734
Amounts related to OPEB, see Note 11	1
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u><u>\$ 6,735</u></u>

#### **NOTE 7 – LEASE**

**Lease Payable** – The Precinct had the following lease payable as of December 31, 2024:

	Original Amount	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Payable at December 31, 2024
Lease payable: Colby Point Wells	\$ 274,225	2020	2029	2.91%	<u><u>\$ 146,928</u></u>

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The annual requirements to amortize all lease payables outstanding as of December 31, 2024, including interest payments, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 27,724	\$ 4,276	\$ 32,000
2026	28,531	3,469	32,000
2027	29,361	2,639	32,000
2028	30,216	1,784	32,000
2029	31,095	905	32,000
Totals	<u><u>\$ 146,928</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 13,072</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 160,000</u></u>

#### **NOTE 8 – SHORT-TERM DEBT**

Changes in the Precinct's short-term capital borrowings during the year ended December 31, 2024 consisted of the following:

Governmental Activities	Original Issue	Interest Rate	Balance		Balance	
	\$ 82,278	6%	January 1, 2024	Additions	Deletions	December 31, 2024
Bond Anticipation Note	<u><u>\$ 82,278</u></u>	<u><u>6%</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 82,278</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (82,278)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

The purpose of all of the short-time borrowings was to provide resources for the Water Main Replacement project. The form of financing used was a bond anticipation note. The interest paid on the note in 2024 was \$803.

#### **NOTE 9 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

Changes in the Precinct's long-term liabilities consisted of the following for the year ended December 31, 2024:

	Balance		Balance		
	January 1, 2024	Additions	Reductions	December 31, 2024	Due Within One Year
Bond payable - direct placement	\$ -	\$ 4,372,300	\$ -	\$ 4,372,300	\$ 218,650
Premium	-	427,700	-	427,700	21,385
Total bonds payable	-	4,800,000	-	4,800,000	240,035
Lease payable	173,868	-	(26,940)	146,928	27,724
Compensated absences	8,403	2,240	-	10,643	-
Net pension liability	246,014	-	(18,129)	227,885	-
Net other postemployment benefits	4,653	-	(115)	4,538	-
Total long-term liabilities	<u><u>\$ 432,938</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,802,240</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (45,184)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 5,189,994</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 267,759</u></u>
					\$ 4,922,235

Long-term bonds are comprised of the following:

	Original Amount	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Interest Rate %	Outstanding at December 31, 2024	Current Portion
Bond payable - direct placement: Main Street Project	\$ 4,372,300	2024	2044	5.10%	<u><u>\$ 4,372,300</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 218,650</u></u>

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation bonds outstanding as of December 31, 2024, including interest payments, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending December 31,	Bond - Direct Placement		
	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	\$ 218,650	\$ 223,473	\$ 442,123
2026	218,650	207,464	426,114
2027	218,650	196,313	414,963
2028	218,650	185,162	403,812
2029	218,650	174,011	392,661

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2030-2034	1,093,050	702,802	1,795,852
2035-2039	1,093,000	424,084	1,517,084
2040-2044	1,093,000	147,555	1,240,555
<b>Totals</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,372,300</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,260,864</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 6,633,164</u></b>

All debt is general obligation debt of the Precinct, which is backed by its full faith and credit, and will be repaid from general revenues.

#### **NOTE 10 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN**

**Plan Description** – The New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS Plan, or the System) is a public employee retirement system that administers a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan (Pension Plan). For additional NHRS information, please refer to the fiscal year 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, which can be found on the NHRS website at [www.nhrs.org](http://www.nhrs.org).

Benefit formulas and eligibility requirements for the Pension Plan are set by state law (RSA 100-A). The Pension Plan is divided into two membership groups. State and local employees and teachers belong to Group I. Police and firefighters belong to Group II.

Group I benefits are provided based on creditable service and average final salary for the highest of either three or five years, depending on when service commenced.

Group II benefits are provided based on age, years of creditable service and benefit multiplier depending on vesting status as of 1/1/12. The maximum retirement allowance for Group II members vested by 1/1/12 (45 years of age with 20 years of service or age 60 regardless of years of creditable service) is the average final compensation multiplied by 2.5% multiplied by creditable service. For Group II members not vested by 1/1/12 the benefit is calculated the same way, but the multiplier used in the calculation will change depending on age and years of creditable service as follows:

<b>Years of Creditable Service as of 1/1/12</b>	<b>Minimum Age</b>	<b>Minimum Service</b>	<b>Benefit Multiplier</b>
At least 8 but less than 10 years	46	21	2.4%
At least 6 but less than 8 years	47	22	2.3%
At least 4 but less than 6 years	48	23	2.2%
Less than 4 years	49	24	2.1%

**Contributions** – The System is financed by contributions from both the employees and the Precinct. Member contribution rates are established and may be amended by the State legislature while employer contribution rates are set by the System trustees based on an actuarial valuation. Group I members are required to contribute 7% of earnable compensation. For fiscal year 2024, the Precinct contributed 13.27% for other employees. The contribution requirement for the fiscal year 2024 was \$26,347, which was paid in full.

**Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions** – At December 31, 2024, the Precinct reported a liability of \$227,885 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Precinct's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the Precinct's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating towns and school districts, actuarially determined. The Precinct's proportion, measured at June 30, 2024, was 0.004% which was the same as its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023.

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For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Precinct recognized pension expense of \$27,607. At December 31, 2024, the Precinct reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Changes in proportion	\$ 6,002	\$ 840
Changes in assumptions	-	2,667
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	-	3,181
Differences between expected and actual experience	5,073	46
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	13,529	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 24,604</b>	<b>\$ 6,734</b>

The \$13,529 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions results from the Precinct contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending	
December 31,	
2025	\$ (4,872)
2026	13,330
2027	(1,979)
2028	(2,138)
Thereafter	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,341</u></b>

**Actuarial Assumptions** – The collective total pension liability was based on the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation:	2.25%
Salary increases:	6.0% average, including inflation
Wage inflation:	3.00% (2.50% for teachers)
Investment rate of return:	6.75% net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Health Retiree Mortality Tables with credibility adjustments for each group (Police and Fire combined) and projected fully generational mortality improvements using Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, valuation to alleviate the total pension liability measured as of June 30, 2024, were based on the results of the most recent actuarial experience study, which was for the period July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2023.

**Long-term Rates of Return** – The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investment was selected from a best estimate range determined using the building block approach. Under this method, an expected future real return range is calculated separately for each asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rate of return net of investment expenses by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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Following is a table presenting target allocations and geometric real rates of return for each asset class:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Geometric Return*
Broad US Equity (1)	24.00%	5.40%
Global Ex-US Equity (2)	16.00%	5.65%
Total public equity	40.00%	
Real Estate Equity	10.00%	4.00%
Private Equity	10.00%	6.65%
Total private market equity	20.00%	
Private Debt	10.00%	5.05%
Core U.S. Fixed Income (3)	25.00%	2.15%
Infrastructure	5.00%	4.35%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	

\*Real rates of return are presented net of 2.50% inflation.

**Discount Rate** – The discount rate used to measure the collective total pension liability was 6.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. For purposes of the projection, member contributions and employer service cost contributions are projected based on the expected payroll of current members only. Employer contributions are determined based on the Pension Plan's actuarial funding policy as required by RSA 100-A:16. Based on those assumptions, the Pension Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on Pension Plan investment was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the collective total pension liability.

**Sensitivity of the Precinct's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** – The following table presents the Precinct's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.75% as well as what the Precinct's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (5.75%) or 1-percentage point higher (7.75%) than the current rate:

Actuarial Valuation Date	1% Decrease	Current Single Rate Assumption	1% Increase
	5.75%	6.75%	7.75%
June 30, 2024	\$ 318,609	\$ 227,885	\$ 152,309

**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position** – Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued New Hampshire Retirement System Cost-Sharing Multiple Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plan financial report.

#### **NOTE 11 – POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (OPEB)**

##### **11-A New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS)**

**Plan Description** – The New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS Plan, or the System) administers a cost-sharing multiple-employer other postemployment benefit plan medical subsidy healthcare plan (OPEB Plan). For additional system information, please refer to the 2024 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which can be found on the system's website at [www.nhrs.org](http://www.nhrs.org).

Benefit amounts and eligibility requirements for the OPEB Plan are set by state law (RSA 100-A:52, RSA 100-A:52-a and RSA 100-A:52-b), and members are designated in statute by type. The four membership types are Group II, Police Officers, and Firefighters; Group I, Teachers; Group I, Political Subdivision Employees; and Group I, State Employees. The OPEB Plan provides a medical insurance subsidy to qualified retired members. The medical insurance subsidy is a payment made by NHRS to the former employer or its insurance administrator toward the cost of health insurance for a qualified retiree, his/her qualified

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spouse, and his/her certified dependent children with a disability who are living in the household and being cared for by the retiree. If the health insurance premium amount is less than the medical subsidy amount, then only the health insurance premium amount will be paid. If the health insurance premium amount exceeds the medical subsidy amount, then the retiree or other qualified person is responsible for paying any portion that the employer does not pay.

Group I benefits are based on creditable service, age, and retirement date. Group II benefits are based on hire date, age, and creditable service. The OPEB plan is closed to new entrants.

Maximum medical subsidy rates paid during fiscal year 2024 were as follows:

For qualified retirees not eligible for Medicare, the amounts were \$375.56 for a single-person plan and \$751.12 for a two-person plan.

For those qualified retirees eligible for Medicare, the amounts were \$236.84 for a single-person plan and \$473.68 for a two-person plan.

**Contributions** – The OPEB Plan is funded by allocating to the 401(h) subtrust the lesser of: 25% of all employer contributions made in accordance with RSA 100-A:16 or the percentage of employer contributions determined by the actuary to be the minimum rate necessary to maintain the benefits provided under RSA 100-A:53-b, RSA 100-A:53-c, and RSA 100-A:53-d. The State Legislature has the authority to establish, amend and discontinue the contribution requirements of the OPEB Plan. Administrative costs are allocated to the OPEB Plan based on fund balances. For fiscal year 2024, the Precinct contributed 0.26% for other employees. The contribution requirement for the fiscal year 2024 was \$516, which was paid in full.

**OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB** – At December 31, 2024, the Precinct reported a liability of \$4,538 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2024, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023. The Precinct's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on a projection of the Precinct's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating towns and school districts, actuarially determined. The Precinct's proportion measured at June 30, 2024, was 0.001% which was the same as its proportion measured as of June 30, 2023.

For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Precinct recognized OPEB expense of \$410. At December 31, 2024, the Precinct reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on OPEB plan investments	\$ -	\$ 1
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	265	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 265</b>	<b>\$ 1</b>

The \$265 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB results from the Precinct contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended December 31, 2025. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

	<b>Fiscal Year Ending December 31,</b>
2025	\$ (10)
2026	14
2027	(5)
2028	(2)
Thereafter	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ (3)</b>

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**Actuarial Assumptions** – The total OPEB liability was based on the following actuarial assumptions:

Price inflation:	2.25% per year
Salary increases:	6.0% average, including inflation
Wage inflation:	3.0% (2.50% for teachers)
Investment rate of return:	6.75% net of OPEB plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Health Retiree Mortality Tables with credibility adjustments for each group (Police and Fire combined) and projected fully generational mortality improvements using Scale MP-2021.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2023, valuation, used to calculate the total pension liability as of June 30, 2024, were based on the results of the most recent actuarial experience study, which was for the period July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2023.

**Long-term Rates of Return** – The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan investment was selected from a best estimate range determined using the building block approach. Under this method, an expected future real return range is calculated separately for each asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rate of return net of investment expenses by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Following is a table presenting target allocations and geometric real rates of return for each asset class:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	30 Year Geometric Return*
Broad US Equity (1)	24.00%	5.40%
Global Ex-US Equity (2)	16.00%	5.65%
Total public equity	40.00%	
Real Estate Equity	10.00%	4.00%
Private Equity	10.00%	6.65%
Total private market equity	20.00%	
Private Debt	10.00%	5.05%
Core U.S. Fixed Income (3)	25.00%	2.15%
Infrastructure	5.00%	4.35%
Total	100.00%	

\*Real rates of return are presented net of 2.50% inflation.

**Discount Rate** – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 6.75%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employer contributions will be made under the current statute RSA 100-A:16 and that plan member contributions will be made under RSA 100-A:16. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB Plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the collective total OPEB liability.

**Sensitivity of the Precinct's Proportionate Share of the OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** – The following table presents the Precinct's proportionate share of the OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.75% as well as what the Precinct's proportionate share of the OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (5.75%) or 1-percentage point higher (7.75%) than the current rate:

Actuarial Valuation Date	1% Decrease	Current Single Rate Assumption	1% Increase
	5.75%	6.75%	7.75%
June 30, 2024	\$ 4,965	\$ 4,538	\$ 4,244

**OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position** – Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued New Hampshire Retirement System Cost-Sharing Multiple Employer Defined Benefit OPEB Plan financial report.

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#### **11-B Retiree Health Benefit Program**

The Precinct provides postemployment benefit options for health care to eligible retirees, terminated employees, and their dependents in accordance with the provisions of various employment contracts. The benefit levels, employee contributions, and employer contributions are governed by the Precinct's contractual agreements. Expenses for the cost of providing health insurance for currently enrolled retirees are recognized in the general fund of the funds financial statements as payments are made.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* in 2015. GASB Statement No. 75 requires State and local government employers to recognize the net OPEB liability and the OPEB expense on their financial statements, along with the related deferred outflows and inflows of resources. The Precinct has not fully implemented GASB Statement No. 75 at December 31, 2024, or contracted with an actuarial firm to assist in evaluating the impact of this standard on the Precinct. The amounts that should be recorded as the net OPEB liability and the OPEB expense is unknown.

#### **NOTE 12 – COMMITMENT**

The Precinct entered into a construction contract during the fiscal year for the Water Main Replacement project. As of December 31, 2024, the Precinct had an outstanding construction contract totaling \$1,484,629 that will be financed from bond proceeds and appropriations.

The construction commitment is as follows:

<b>Capital Project Program</b>	<b>Total Contract</b>	<b>Spent to Date</b>	<b>Remaining Commitment</b>
SUR Construction - Water Main Replacement	\$ 3,973,035	\$ 2,488,406	\$ 1,484,629

#### **NOTE 13 – BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES AND PROPRIETARY FUNDS NET POSITION**

Net position reported on the business-type activities and proprietary fund Statement of Net Position at December 31, 2024 include the following:

	<b>Business-type Activities</b>
Net investment in capital assets:	
Net book value, all capital assets	\$ 5,733,316
Less:	
General obligation bond payable	(4,372,300)
Unamortized bond premiums	(427,700)
Unspent bond proceeds	1,838,582
Lease payable	(146,928)
Total net investment in capital assets	<u>2,624,970</u>
Restricted net position:	
Project purposes	<u>38,833</u>
Unrestricted	<u>1,020,442</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 3,684,245</u>

#### **NOTE 14 – RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Precinct is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; or natural disasters. During fiscal year 2024, the Precinct was a member of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex<sup>3</sup>) Workers' Compensation and Property/Liability Programs.

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex<sup>3</sup>) Workers' Compensation and Property/Liability Programs are pooled risk management programs under RSAs 5-B and 281-A. Coverage was provided from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 by Primex<sup>3</sup>, which retained \$2,000,000 of each workers' compensation loss, \$500,000 of each liability loss, and for each property loss it is based upon the Precinct's property schedule on file with Primex<sup>3</sup>. The Board has decided to self-insure the

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aggregate exposure and has allocated funds based on actuarial analysis for that purpose. The workers' compensation section of the self-insurance membership agreement permits Primex<sup>3</sup> to make additional assessments to members should there be a deficiency in contributions for any member year, not to exceed the member's annual contribution. GASB Statement No. 10 requires members of a pool with a sharing risk to disclose if such an assessment is probable, and a reasonable estimate of the amount, if any. In fiscal year 2024 the Precinct contributed \$2,994 and \$10,570, respectively, to Primex for workers' compensation and property/liability. At this time, Primex<sup>3</sup> foresees no likelihood of any additional assessment for this or any prior year.

The Precinct continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### **NOTE 15 – CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The Precinct has received federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies or their designee. These audits could result in a request for reimbursement from the grantor agency for costs disallowed under terms of the grant. Based on prior experience, the Precinct believes such disallowances, if any, will be immaterial.

#### **NOTE 16 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events are events or transactions that occur after the balance sheet date, but before the financial statements are issued. Recognized subsequent events are events or transactions that provided additional evidence about conditions that existed at the balance sheet date, including the estimates inherent in the process of preparing the financial statements. Nonrecognized subsequent events are events that provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at the balance sheet date but arose after the date. Management has evaluated subsequent events through \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, the date the December 31, 2024 financial statements were available to be issued, and noted the following events occurred that require recognition or disclosure:

At the March 19, 2025, annual meeting, residents voted on and approved the following warrant article using December 31, 2024, unassigned fund balance:

- Warrant Article No. 3 authorizing \$25,000 to fund improvements to the water system.
- Warrant Article No. 4 authorizing \$41,900 to fund exploration and assessment of water resources on Colby Point.

**EXHIBIT D**  
**NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT**  
*Schedule of the Precinct's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability*  
**New Hampshire Retirement System Cost Sharing Multiple Employer Defined Benefit Plan**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2024**  
*Unaudited*

Fiscal year-end	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2016	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2024
Measurement date	June 30 2015	June 30 2016	June 30 2017	June 30 2018	June 30 2019	June 30 2020	June 30 2021	June 30 2022	June 30 2023	June 30 2024
Precincts proportion of the net pension liability	0.005%	0.004%	0.005%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%	0.004%
Precinct's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 183,902	\$ 234,412	\$ 223,022	\$ 201,240	\$ 201,087	\$ 269,874	\$ 183,006	\$ 247,450	\$ 246,014	\$ 227,885
Precinct's covered payroll (as of the measurement date)	\$ 145,781	\$ 144,382	\$ 149,175	\$ 154,695	\$ 161,790	\$ 169,728	\$ 173,326	\$ 159,887	\$ 190,032	\$ 195,436
Precinct's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	126.15%	162.36%	149.50%	130.09%	124.29%	159.00%	105.58%	154.77%	129.46%	116.60%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	65.47%	58.30%	62.66%	64.73%	65.59%	58.72%	72.22%	65.12%	67.18%	70.33%

**EXHIBIT E**  
**NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT**  
*Schedule of Precinct Contributions - Pensions*  
**New Hampshire Retirement System Cost Sharing Multiple Employer Defined Benefit Plan**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2024**

*Unaudited*

Fiscal year-end	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2016	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2024
Measurement date	June 30 2015	June 30 2016	June 30 2017	June 30 2018	June 30 2019	June 30 2020	June 30 2021	June 30 2022	June 30 2023	June 30 2024
Contractually required contribution	\$ 15,574	\$ 15,785	\$ 16,613	\$ 17,664	\$ 18,187	\$ 18,744	\$ 18,971	\$ 24,978	\$ 26,799	\$ 26,347
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	(15,574)	(15,785)	(16,613)	(17,664)	(18,187)	(18,744)	(18,971)	(24,978)	(26,799)	(26,347)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Precinct's covered payroll (as of the fiscal year end)	\$ 146,301	\$ 145,350	\$ 151,461	\$ 159,422	\$ 165,646	\$ 172,279	\$ 156,229	\$ 181,658	\$ 198,351	\$ 206,217
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	10.65%	10.86%	10.97%	11.08%	10.98%	10.88%	12.14%	13.75%	13.51%	12.78%

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**NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT**

## **NOTE TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION – PENSION LIABILITY**

**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED  
DECEMBER 31, 2024**

### ***Schedule of the Precinct's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Precinct Contributions – Pensions***

***Changes in Benefit Terms*** – There were no changes in benefit terms for the current period.

***Changes in Assumptions*** – There were no changes in assumptions for the current period.

***Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates*** – A full list of the methods and assumptions used to determine the contribution rates can be found in the most recent actuarial valuation report. This report can be located at [www.nhrs.org](http://www.nhrs.org).

As required by GASB Statement No. 68, and as amended by GASB Statement No. 71, Exhibits D and E represent the actuarial determined costs associated with the Precinct's pension plan at December 31, 2024. These schedules are presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years.

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## EXHIBIT F

### NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

*Schedule of the Precinct's Proportionate Share of the Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability  
New Hampshire Retirement System Cost Sharing Multiple Employer Defined Benefit Plan  
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2024  
Unaudited*

Fiscal year-end	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2024
Measurement date	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2024
Precinct's proportion of the net OPEB liability	0.001%	0.001%	0.001%	0.001%	0.001%	0.001%	0.001%	0.001%
Precinct's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$ 3,657	\$ 4,999	\$ 4,861	\$ 4,772	\$ 4,292	\$ 5,052	\$ 4,653	\$ 4,538
Precinct's covered payroll (as of the measurement date)	\$ 149,175	\$ 154,695	\$ 161,790	\$ 169,728	\$ 173,326	\$ 159,887	\$ 190,032	\$ 195,436
Precinct's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	2.45%	3.23%	3.00%	2.81%	2.48%	3.16%	2.45%	2.32%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	7.91%	7.53%	7.75%	7.74%	11.06%	10.64%	12.80%	14.01%

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## EXHIBIT G

### NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

#### Schedule of Precinct Contributions - Other Postemployment Benefits

#### New Hampshire Retirement System Cost Sharing Multiple Employer Defined Benefit Plan

*For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2024*

*Unaudited*

Fiscal year-end	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2019	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2024
Measurement date	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2024
Contractually required contribution	\$ 474	\$ 483	\$ 506	\$ 506	\$ 515	\$ 563	\$ 566	\$ 516
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	(474)	(483)	(506)	(506)	(515)	(563)	(566)	(516)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Precinct's covered payroll (as of the fiscal year-end)	<u>\$ 151,461</u>	<u>\$ 159,422</u>	<u>\$ 165,646</u>	<u>\$ 172,279</u>	<u>\$ 156,229</u>	<u>\$ 181,658</u>	<u>\$ 198,351</u>	<u>\$ 206,217</u>
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	0.31%	0.30%	0.31%	0.29%	0.33%	0.31%	0.29%	0.25%

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**NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT**  
**NOTE TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION –**  
**OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS LIABILITY**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2024**

***Schedule of the Precinct's Proportionate Share of Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability and Schedule of Precinct Contributions – Other Postemployment Benefits***

***Changes in Benefit Terms*** – There were no changes in benefit terms for the current period.

***Changes in Assumptions*** – There were no changes in assumptions for the current period.

***Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine Contribution Rates*** – A full list of the methods and assumptions used to determine the contribution rates can be found in the most recent actuarial valuation report. This report can be located at [www.nhrs.org](http://www.nhrs.org).

As required by GASB Statement No. 75, Exhibits F and G represent the actuarial determined costs associated with the Precinct's other postemployment benefits at December 31, 2024. These schedules are presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.



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### ***INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF MATERIAL WEAKNESS AND SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES***

To the Members of the Board of Commissioners  
New London-Springfield Water System Precinct  
New London, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the basic financial statements of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America we considered the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and other deficiencies that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A reasonable possibility exists when the likelihood of an event occurring is either reasonably possible or probable as defined as follows:

*Reasonably possible.* The chance of the future event or events occurring is more than remote but less than likely.

*Probable.* The future event or events are likely to occur.

We consider the following deficiency in the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct's internal control to be a material weakness:

#### **Segregation of Duties (repeat)**

Upon review of internal controls, it was discovered that there is a lack of segregation of duties as the Office Manager is able to perform both the billing and cash receipts processes. Due to the size and limited staff of the Precinct, there is an inherent risk in the billing and cash receipts processes due to a lack of an appropriate segregation of duties. It is recommended that the Precinct review these processes and, where possible, involve another existing employee or elected official to provide a better separation between the billing, collection, recording, and depositing of user charges.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the following deficiency in the entity's internal control to be significant deficiencies:

#### **Access to Signature Stamp (repeat)**

During our documentation of internal controls, we noted that the Office Manager has access to the Commissioner's signature stamp. Per best practice the Commissioners should be maintaining their own stamp at all times, or it should be in a secure location where only they can access it. We recommend the Commissioner's signature stamp be kept by a Commissioner or be located in a secure location that only they have access to.

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*New London-Springfield Water System Precinct*

*Independent Auditor's Communication of Material Weakness and Significant Deficiencies*

## **Billing and Adjustments Approval (repeat)**

There is no formal documentation of approval from the Board of Commissioners regarding the semi-annual billings for water user charges or any changes/adjustments that are made to those charges. All billings and related changes/adjustments to the water user charges should be formally reviewed and formally approved by the Board of Commissioners, as evidenced by formal signature. Additionally, any changes/adjustments to the billings for water user charges should be documented on a standard form and formally approved by the Board of Commissioners, as evidenced by formal signature.

The purpose of this communication, which is an integral part of our audit, is to describe for management and those charged with governance the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and the results of that testing. Accordingly, this communication is not intended to be and should not be used for any other purpose.

, 2025  
Concord, New Hampshire